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FORMING AN ORGANIZATION FOR
THE PURPOSE OF LOOKING
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THE INTERESTS OF THE BUSI-
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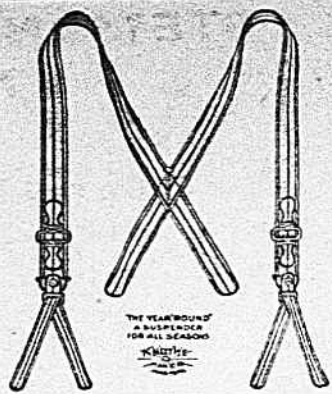
SISTERSVILLE, W. Va., April 30.—A meeting was held here to-day among a large number of the oil men of this section, and these people are going to become quite a factor in the present campaign in the State on account of their antagonistic attitude toward the proposed tax reform bills which have been agreed upon regarding the oil business and which will come up before the special session of the State legislature in the near future for action by that body at the special session which will be called by Governor White.

At the meeting held here yesterday it was decided to form what will be known as the Eastern Oil Men's Association, which will be incorporated with a capital stock of \$50,000, divided into 5,000 shares at \$10 for each share. The offices for the new organization will be established in Parkersburg as the most centrally located city for the oil people of this State. The primary object of the organization will be to inaugurate a vigorous fight against the gubernatorial candidate who is in favor of placing the high tax on oil wells, and to fight the candidates for legislature and senate in the different counties who are in favor of the same thing. A mass meeting will be held in this city on May 4th for the purpose of perfecting the organization.—Wheeling Telegraph.

CETIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

Has Been Issued to the West Virginia
Builders' Supply Company.

A certificate of incorporation has been issued to the West Virginia Builders' Supply Company, of Fairmont. The purpose of the corporation is to furnish all kinds of builders' supplies. The capital stock is \$10,000, and the incorporators are Lon E. Smith, Thos. F. Robey, J. A. Clark, A. R. Badgley and E. Badgley, all of this city.



EXCELLENT SUSPENDERS.

The kind that are sightly and will give you good, long service. We believe we sell the best suspenders at 25c and 50c that there is made.

Genuine cowhide ends, trimmings are of best qualities, while the webs are all you could desire. The colorings are exquisite.

Plain White

Plain Blue

Plain Pink.

Gray and Tan,
Black and White
50c the pair.

Genuine GUYOT

Suspenders, the famous French make, are also sold here. Variety of patterns. Price always 50c.

Correct
Wear
For
MEN.



Only
The
BEST
Here.

FINE FURNISHINGS.

Fine doesn't mean expensive. It means correct and proper, new and nobby, and if there is anything new comes out depend on this store having it and having it quicker than you will find it elsewhere.

UNDERWEAR OF MANY KINDS.

When you know our price range, 25c to \$2.50 a garment, you will have some idea of the bigness of the stock. Most every good kind is here, either in plain colors or fancies, and shirts and drawers to match in every kind.

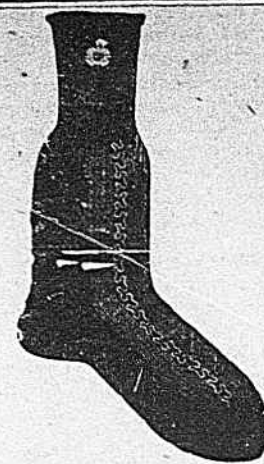
A special kind for 50c. Genuine French Balbriggan.

Shirts with long or short sleeves, French necks, pearl buttons. Drawers to match, made with double bicycle seats, suspender tapes, strap backs, and double-stitched bands. Modern regular lengths or "short stouts" for short men.

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Next to Court House, Fairmont, W. Va.

Hartley's



HONEST HOSIERY

How many men, especially bachelors, who throw socks away because there is no one to darn them. We can promise that our socks won't be thrown away as soon, and by comparing prices you will find they cost no more than the other kind.

At 15c pair.

Plain Black
Plain Tan.

Black and white foot. A whole host of fancy colors to select from.

At 25c pair.

\$1.38 by the half dozen.

Plain Black
Plain Tan
Black with white foot
Black with white sole.

FANCY COLORS.

The famous Shawknit
Hose for — \$1.38 a box.

CHURCHES.

Order of Services With the Various
Pastors To-morrow.

Methodist Protestant Temple.
Monroe street, J. H. Lucas, D. D., pastor. Reception of members and the Lord's Supper at 10:45 to-morrow morning. At 8 in the evening the pastor will preach on "The Highest and Best Life."

Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., Junior Society of Christian Endeavor at 2:30 p. m., Christian Endeavor prayer meeting at 7 p. m.

Presbyterian Church.
You are most cordially invited to the following services:

Bible School 9:30 o'clock, Prof. J. Walter Barnes, Supt.; morning service, 10:45 o'clock; theme: "Lessons from the Life of Balaam;" evening service, 7:30 o'clock; Prof. Thos. E. Hodges, of Morgantown, will speak on "The Foundations of Character;" Junior Society, 3 p. m., Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m., Mr. Lloyd Kelley, Leader. Topic: "Answered Prayers."

First Baptist Church.
W. J. Eddy, pastor. Services will be as follows:

Morning service at 10:45, subject, "A Prosperous Life." This is the annual sermon, being the eleventh anniversary of the church and the seventh anniversary of the present pastorate. Evening sermon at 8:00; subject: "Will the World Outgrow Christianity?" There will be good music under the direction of Miss Myrtle Shaw. It is much desired that all the church be present to-morrow. All will be made welcome.

Central Christian Church,
Corner Walnut avenue and 2d street, Henry F. Lutz, minister. Lord's Day Services: 9:30 a. m., Bible School, Seymour McIntire superintendent; 10:45 a. m., preaching, subject, "The Peculiar Message of the Gospel of Mark;" 8 p. m., preaching, subject, "Righteous Indignation and Righteous Wrath." Evangelist Lutz will preach both morning and evening. The prayer meeting will be on Wednesday evening and the Church Helpers on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Real Estate Transfers.
Sarah A. Oakes to Finley Oakes, interest in property at Worthington; consideration, \$1.00.
Reanna Boor et al., to B. F. Wilson, property on Finch's run; consideration, \$5.00.
Anna R. Miller to Melvin Bunner, property in Union district; consideration, \$625.
Levi B. Harr to E. L. Gilhart and wife, property in East Park; consideration, \$1,400.

In the Intermediate Court.
William A. Hartley has entered two suits against Grant Arnett. One is in assumpsit and the other in chancery. Attorney Hoge represents the plaintiff in both suits.

Power of Attorneys.
The Sewickley Company to W. S. Meredith.
The West Virginia Builders' Supply Company to A. R. Badgley.

Bond Given.
Emery Jones gave bond of fifty dollars as guardian of the heirs of W. N. Summers.

James Hanley, of Elkins, is at the Tavern to-day.

A. L. Hefner came in from Grafton to spend Sunday with his family.

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Can sell you a
STYLISH HAT
for as
LITTLE MONEY
...As Anyone...
A Large Assortment
IN COLORS
AND PRICES.

Some White Lawn
Waists from last
SEASON at HALF
PRICE...!

They are good only the sleeve
is a trifle small.

A nice new line of
Muslin Underwear
For Ladies and Children.

When You See Dressy Men

Men who look unusual-
ly dressy—you may de-
pend upon it that we do
their tailoring. Our de-
signs are all exclusive.

Kahrl---Tailor for Men.

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FRANCIS H. PIERPONT

A PAPER READ AT THE NORMAL
AUDITORIUM LAST NIGHT BY
MISS MARTHA BROWN, OF
THE SECOND WARD GRAM-
MAR SCHOOL.

Francis Harrison Pierpont, the subject of this sketch, and a person to whom we as the young citizens of this State feel that we owe a great debt of gratitude, was born in Marion county June 25, 1814. Like many other leaders, he laid the foundation for a strong physical body which served him so well in after life upon the farm.

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While upon the farm, he performed all those duties known from the chore-boy to the common laborer, attending the district school a few months each winter. At the age of twenty-one he had acquired all the education that the district school of that day could afford. Not satisfied with this meager education to battle the stern realities of life, he decided to go a step higher. Acting accordingly, he shouldered his knapsack and marched away to attend Allegheny College, Allegheny, Pa., from which institution he graduated in June, 1840. After graduation he went to Mississippi as a public school teacher. Having decided to enter upon the profession of law, he took a systematic course of reading while teaching.

After two years he returned to Fairmont, Virginia, and having been admitted to the bar, he began to practice law, in which profession he made a success.

Mr. Pierpont having been educated in the North, and living among the Northern people, he naturally sided with them when the war clouds threatened our Union to destroy.

He loved to talk and take part in the general political discussions of the day. When the convention met at Wheeling, June 11, 1861, for the purpose of reorganizing the government of Virginia, Mr. Pierpont was elected governor of the reorganized State; thus he became governor of Virginia and the appellation of "old war gov-

ernor," is often applied to him. Mr. Pierpont was one of the men who stood by the government in its darkest hours. After West Virginia separated from Virginia, Governor Pierpont removed the State archives to Alexandria. When Richmond fell, he removed the seat of government to that city. After his term of office expired, he returned to Fairmont, and resumed his profession of law.

In 1870 he was elected delegate from Marion county to the West Virginia Legislature. He was appointed collector of Internal Revenue by President Garfield.

Governor Pierpont became a member of the Methodist Protestant Church at the age of eighteen. He was known not only for his ability as a speaker, as a statesman and for his unselfish patriotism, but also for his kind, genial nature. It was his sweet disposition that caused him to be loved by children, and by all who knew him personally. He was very fond of children. It is related of him that once while holding the office of governor, he took a little child to President Lincoln to plead for his brother who was unjustly sentenced to the penitentiary.

How great was the confidence and trust reposed in him, is shown in President Lincoln's tribute, and by his followers during the war for the preservation of the Union; it is said of Governor Pierpont, by his daughter, that his mind was intensely active with a cheerful severe disposition.

In one of his last letters he wrote: "The hand of kindness has led me all my life, and I am content, but I want to go to heaven to see how the worlds are made and the stars are hung."

As to his power as a public speaker, we can judge only by the result of his speeches, for he always spoke on the moment, and none of his addresses have been preserved.

He often met men who had sworn to take his life, while stumping our State and the State of New York for Mr. Lincoln, and yet no violence ever befell him. Of his last speech to a large audience, the Hon. Alston G. Dayton wrote a friend: "I shall never forget the last time I saw him, when at the close of the campaign of 1896, in Fairmont, we sat side by side, on the platform and in town addressed an audience of thousands. As I looked at his venerable form, placid and kindly face, heard the burning thoughts—clothed in his wonted eloquent language, sprang to his lips as I listened to his joyous prophetic words outlining the future of our nation and State, his very presence was a tower of strength as we hung on his words telling us of the future of our State for

which he had done so much, which he had loved so well.

"His voice sounded like a prophetic word, and in its sacred tones were heard the thanks of millions yet to be."

In conclusion, we might change the lines of Byron, or Sheridan, to read, Nature formed but one such man, and broke the die in moulding Pierpont.

CHARLIE WILLIAMS

PRONOUNCED A FIT SUBJECT FOR
THE INSANE ASYLUM AND
WILL BE SENT TO
WESTON.

Charlie Williams, the colored man who raised such a disturbance in the county jail Wednesday night, was examined as to his sanity this morning by Dr. Sands. He was pronounced a fit subject for the asylum at Weston, where he will be taken as soon as arrangements can be made.

Williams was arrested last Monday upon complaint that he was acting strangely, and that his mind was thought to be disordered. He had been drinking heavily for some time. He was put in jail, and Dr. Sands was called to examine him. He was found to be under the influence of some kind of dope and was sent back to jail until he recovered. He grew worse, and Wednesday night he became violent.

At the examination this morning his sanity was attributed to alcoholism.

Fairmont, W. Va., April 30.
To the Sporting Editor of the West Virginian:

Sir: In regard to your statement about the "High Dive" made at the "Country Circus" by two of the Y. M. C. A. acrobats, allow me to state that there was in no sense a competition attempted between Messrs. McCray and Stewart, and furthermore there were no measurements actually made of their feats and consequently no one can authoritatively say that one man beat the other.

Both of the young men are willing to see what they can do in this line, and in an indoor athletic meet shortly to be given before the public at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, they will "pull off" the honors for this event with actual measurements taken by appointed judges.

Respectfully,
WILLIS HAWLEY,
General Secretary.

Stockholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Fairmont Gas and Light Company will be held at the Board of Trade rooms, in the City of Fairmont, on Tuesday, the 3d day of May, 1904, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any general business which may legally be done at a meeting of stockholders.

J. E. ROBINSON, Sec'y.
Fairmont, W. Va., April 23, 1904.

If it don't pay us to advertise it won't pay you to read our ad, but if it pays to advertise, then it will pay you to take advantage of our ad. Joliffe's.

An inspection car came in at 11:20 a. m., and departed over the M. R. division at 1 p. m. No prominent officials were aboard.

Dana Miller, who is attending the University, is in the city to-day.

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310 Main Street.

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HEAVY PERCALE DRESSES!

Shirt Waist Styles—made up in best manner. You'll not find a dropped stitch in them. You can't make them at the price.
\$1.48.

SEPARATE WASH SKIRTS!

Made of Percale and Duck in a big variety of patterns.
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LADIES SUMMER DRESSES

Made in checks, in solid white and linen colors, trimmed in cluny bands
\$2.50 UP.

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We have an enormous assortment of long and short kimonas and wrappers. We can please you in this line, our prices are the lowest possible.

LADIES' SHIRT WAISTS

Have you seen our line? They are beauties. We have always been considered the home of shirt waists; our stock is just a little better than before, price a little less than ever.

50c to \$5.00.
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